

# monthly NEWSLETTER



**Lorain County  
Public Health**

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## Local Farm Stands

On August 6, two local farm stands - Grobe's and Fenik's - will be outside the WIC doors from 4 PM to 5 PM to redeem fruit and vegetable vouchers from WIC clients while also providing an opportunity for LCPH employees to purchase fresh items. LCPH staff are invited to shop these two stands from 4:30 PM to 5 PM.

- Grobe's will have sweet corn, tomatoes, peaches, and other summer vegetables, and they accept cash or credit cards.
- Fenik's will have sweet corn, green beans, tomatoes, peppers, zucchini, onions, cantaloupe, watermelon, peaches, and other assorted items. They accept cash or credit cards.



## West Nile Virus Update

It's been a very light year for mosquito-borne illnesses in Ohio. Through July 25, no mosquito pools collected in Lorain County have tested positive for West Nile Virus. Statewide, there have been 22 positive West Nile Virus mosquito samples in over 8,400 samples submitted to the Ohio Department of Health, and there have been no reported human cases and no reported veterinary cases of West Nile Virus. The frequent, heavy rains contributed to the low number of positive collections by washing away eggs and larvae, thus keeping the population down. If community-wide spraying is needed in Lorain County, it would begin in mid-August. We will continue to keep you updated on mosquito activity in the county.

## Back to School

It's August, and a new school year is just around the corner! The school nursing program has had a busy summer planning for the upcoming 2019-2020 school year. Screening equipment has been cleaned and prepped, and a new resources page for school nurses has been created. Also this year, the nurses will be working with a new computerized charting system. This computer system was created with input from an internal team of school nurses. The program is also welcoming some new members to the team this school year (see below). Welcome back, everyone, and best wishes for a successful year!

## Welcome and Best Wishes

LCPH's school nursing program will have some new faces this year.

- Becky Casto, LPN will be moving up from a substitute nurse to become the school nurse in the Midview Local School District.
- Laura Frioud, LPN will be taking over at Avon Middle School for Susan Kuncel, LPN. Susan is retiring before the start of the school year.
- Mindi Porter, LPN will be the new school nurse in the Columbia Local School District.

Welcome to LCPH, Becky, Laura, and Mindi, and best wishes to Susan on her retirement.

### Milestone Anniversary

Jillian Spriestersbach, Program Manager, Community Health Division - 5 years on August 18